

## Senate Resolution 118 - Introduced

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 118

BY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SR 110)

1 A Resolution supporting the federal Renewable Fuel  
2 Standard.

3 WHEREAS, in accordance with the federal Energy  
4 Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, as amended  
5 by the federal Energy Independence and Security Act  
6 of 2007, Pub. L. No. 110-140, the United States has  
7 demonstrated its commitment to the long-term policy of  
8 increasing the domestic production of clean renewable  
9 fuels according to a renewable fuel standard, referred  
10 to as the "RFS"; and

11 WHEREAS, the RFS is the one of the single most  
12 successful energy policies in our nation's history; and

13 WHEREAS, the RFS is a federal policy that requires a  
14 minimum percentage of motor fuel sold in our nation to  
15 contain renewable fuels; and

16 WHEREAS, under the RFS, renewable fuels have  
17 access to a retail market in the face of a vertically  
18 integrated petroleum market; and

19 WHEREAS, the RFS represents a congressional promise  
20 to American biofuels producers, farmers, communities,  
21 and investors that the blend levels of the RFS will  
22 increase each year; and

23 WHEREAS, this congressional policy supporting the  
24 RFS will continue to build the long-term capacity of  
25 the renewable fuels industry and will encourage the  
26 development of new types of clean fuels; and

27 WHEREAS, the RFS helps support over 73,000 jobs

1 in agriculture, biofuels production, and associated  
2 businesses in Iowa; and

3 WHEREAS, the renewable fuels industry in Iowa  
4 helps pay \$5 billion in wages annually to this state's  
5 employment force; and

6 WHEREAS, renewable fuels create additional markets  
7 for Iowa farmers with more than 47 percent of Iowa's  
8 corn supply supporting ethanol production; NOW  
9 THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Iowa  
11 Senate calls upon the Congress of the United  
12 States, the United States Environmental Protection  
13 Agency, the President of the United States, and this  
14 country's future President of the United States and  
15 administration, to continue to support the RFS in  
16 order to encourage American energy production and to  
17 strengthen rural communities; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this  
19 Resolution be sent to the President of the United  
20 States, the Administrator of the United States  
21 Environmental Protection Agency, the President and  
22 Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and  
23 Clerk of the United States House of Representatives,  
24 and to the members of Iowa's congressional delegation.